CLAIMS

1. A method for transmitting information comprising: transmitting first information for determining a sequence of communication paths; and

transmitting second information according to said sequence of communication paths.

- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said second information is an individual television program.
- 3. The method of claim 1 wherein said second information is a channel.
- 4. The method of claim 1 wherein said second information is a web page.
 - 5. The method of claim 1 wherein said first information comprises a sequence of communication paths.
- 20 6. The method of claim 1 wherein said first information is transmitted in an encrypted form.
 - 7. The method of claim 1 wherein said first information is an object oriented object.

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8. The method of claim 1 further comprising: installing said first information; and

viewing a continuous stream of said second information by switching communication paths in accordance with said installed first information.

9. method for controlling access to information over a network comprising:

obtaining first information for determining a sequence of communication paths; and

obtaining second information according to said sequence of communication paths.

- The method of claim 9 wherein said second information is an 10. individual television program.
- The method of claim 9 wherein said second information is a 11. channel.
- The method of claim 9 wherein said second information is a web 12. 20 page.
 - 13. The method of claim 9 wherein said first information comprises a sequence of communication paths.

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- 4. The method of claim 9 wherein said first information is obtained in encrypted form.
- 15. The method of claim 9 wherein said first information is an object oriented object.
- 16. The method of claim 9 further comprising:
 viewing a continuous stream of said second information by switching
 communication paths in accordance with said first obtained information.
- 17. A computer program product comprising:
 a computer usable medium having computer readable code embodied therein for transmitting information, said computer program product comprising:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to transmit first information for determining a sequence of communication paths; and computer readable code configured to cause a computer to transmit second information according to said sequence of communication paths.

- 18. The computer program product of claim 17 wherein said second information is an individual television program.
- 19. The computer program product of claim 17 wherein said second information is a channel.

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20. The computer program product of claim 17 wherein said second information is a web page.

- 21. The computer program product of claim 17 wherein said first information comprises a sequence of communication paths.
- 22. The computer program product of claim 17 wherein said computer transmits said first information in encrypted form.
- 23. The computer program product of claim 17 wherein said first information is an object oriented object.
- 24. The computer program product of claim 17 further comprising: computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to install said first information; and

computer readable program code configured to cause a display of a continuous stream of said second information by switching communication paths in accordance with said installed first information.

25. A computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable code embodied therein for controlling access to information, said computer program product comprising:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to obtain first information for determining a sequence of communication paths; and

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computer readable code configured to cause a computer to obtain second information according to said sequence of communication paths.

- 26. The computer program product of claim 25 wherein said second information is an individual television program.
- 27. The computer program product of claim 25 wherein said second information is a channel.
- 28. The computer program product of claim 25 wherein said second information is a web page.
- 29. The computer program product of claim 25 wherein said first information comprises a sequence of communication paths.
- 30. The computer program product of claim 25 wherein said first information is obtained in encrypted form.
- 31. The computer program product of claim 25 wherein said first 20 information is an object oriented object.
 - 32. The computer program product of claim 25 further comprising: computer readable program code configured to cause a display of a continuous stream of second information by switching communication paths in accordance with said first obtained information.

Ų.Į 10 A system for transmitting information comprising:

a processor;

first information for determining a sequence of communication paths; second information;

a head end coupled to said processor, said head end configured to transmit said first information and said second information according to said sequence of communication paths.

- 34. The system of claim 34 wherein said second information is an individual television program.
- 35. The system of claim 34 wherein said second information is a channel.
- The system of claim 34 wherein said second information is a web 36. page.
- 37. The system of claim 34 wherein said first information comprises a 20 sequence of communication paths.
 - The system of claim 34 wherein said first information is encrypted. 38.
- 39. The system of claim 34 wherein said\first information is an object 25 oriented object.

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40.\ The system of claim 34 further comprising:

a member space manager for installing said first information; and a display device for displaying a continuous stream of said second information by switching communication paths in accordance with said installed first information.

41. A system for controlling access to information comprising: a processor;

first information for determining a sequence of communication paths; second information;

a member space manager coupled to said processor, said member space manager configured to obtain said first information and said second information according to said sequence of communication paths.

- 42. The system of claim 41 wherein said second information is an individual television program.
- 43. The system of claim 41 wherein said second information is a 20 channel.
 - 44. The system of claim 41 wherein said second information is a web page.



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45. The system of claim 41 wherein said first information comprises a sequence of communication paths.

- 46. The system of claim 41 wherein said first information is encrypted.
- 47. The system of claim 41 wherein said first information is an object oriented object.
 - 48. The system of claim 41 further comprising:

a display device configured to display a continuous stream of said second information by switching communication paths in accordance with said first information.